

The GMH-DISH deal should be blocked. Simply put the merger will create a monopoly in the DBS industry and a monopoly in the high speed Internet service.

TV is now considered as an essential utility for consumers. 97% of homes have TV.

No need for merger. It is better for the consumer to have EchoStar and DirecTV to co-operate to roll essential services. Once merged it will leave consumers under one monopoly.

Better consumer service is achieved through open competition. Please do not approve GMH - DISH merger.

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